(d) if so, by when Government are expected to arrive at a decision in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (d) A proposal regarding conversion of lease hold system in Delhi into free hold is under consideration.

Rural Employment Programme

582. SHRIMATI SUDHA VIJAY JOSHI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the different agencies and programmes under operation at present to provide employment to the rural people;

(b) whether it is proposed to merge all these agencies and programmes into one;

(c) if so, what would be the new agency's name and the outlay provided for it for the year 1989-90; and

(d) the extent of rural employment expected to be generated under this plan during the year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) to (d) The major wage employment programme implemented by the Government till the end of the year 1988-89 were National Rural Employment Programme (NREP) and Rural Landless Employment Guarantee Programme (RLEGP). The Finance Minister in his Budget Speech for the year 1989-90 announced launching of a new Intensive Rural Employment Programme known as Jawaharlal Nehru Rozgar Yojana (JNRY). Detailed guidelines for implementation of the programme are being worked out and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Loss to FCI on account of shortage and transit

583. SHRI JAGESH DESAI: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) the losses incurred by the Food Corporation of India on account of storages and transit during the last three years;

(b) whether these losses are nominal;

(c) what are the yardsticks for deciding the norms and whether the losses are nominal or otherwise; and

(d) what actions have been taken to reduce the losses on these two accounts?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHR D. L. BAITHA): (a) Details of transit and storage shortages of foodgrains incurred by Food Corporation of India during 1985-86 to 1987-88 are given below:

(Qty. in lakh—MT)

Year	Storage loss		Transit loss		Total Storage & Transit loss	
	Qty.	% to issues	Qty.	% to transportation	Qty.	% to purchase †Sales
1985-86	1·95	0·47	4·00	1·94	5·95	1.62
1986-87	2·23	0·48	4·28	1·71	6·51	1·63
1987-88	2·05	0·41	4·96	1·93	7·01	1·72